

REMARKS

For entry into the U.S. National Stage from the PCT, the above-identified national stage application is concurrently being amended as follows. Claims 6-9 and 11-14 are amended as written above. Claims 5 and 26-30 are cancelled. The Specification has been amended to include the priority claim under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e). Applicants respectfully assert that no new matter has been added by way of this amendment. Accordingly, 24 claims (Claims 1-4 and 6-25) are initially being presented for examination. Of those 24 claims, four (Claims 1, 6, 15 and 20) are independent. Thus, \$400.00 in filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16(h) & (i) are believed to be due.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-1160 the amount of \$400.00 as the fee for entry of this Preliminary Amendment. In the event that the amount of the previously stated fee is incorrect, please apply any charge or credit to Deposit Account No. 13-1160.

If any issue regarding the allowability of the pending claims in the present application could be readily resolved, or if other action could be taken to further advance this application, or if the Examiner should have any questions regarding the present amendment, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner please telephone Applicant's undersigned attorney in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,

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